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NOTICE OF FINAL DECISION RECLAMATION PERMIT NO. #0044 EQUATORIAL TONOPAH INC. TONOPAH COPPER LEACH PROJECT

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) has decided to amend the Reclamation Permit, No. 0044, for a Mining Project to EQUATORIAL TONOPAH INC. This permit authorizes EQUATORIAL TONOPAH INC. to reclaim the TONOPAH COPPER LEACH PROJECT. This Project is located in NYE County, Nevada. The Division has been provided with an amended reclamation plan that changes the post mining use of the property, in accordance with Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) and Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 519A to assure the Division that EQUATORIAL TONOPAH INC. will leave the project site safe, stable, and capable of providing for a productive post-mining land use.

This permit will become final July 11th, 2003. The final determination of the Administrator may be appealed to the State Environmental Commission pursuant to NAC 519A.415. The appeal must be filed by July 11th, 2003 and in accordance with Administrative rules of the Environmental Commission.

No comments were received during the public comment period.

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